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POTENTIAL OF JHANJRA COAL PROJECT
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production capacity of Jhanjra Project, E.C.L. has the potential lasting for 100 years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a joint meeting of the management and the workers has been called in this regard; and

(d) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken to tap the huge potential of this project?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a) & (b): Jhanjra project has an estimated mineable reserve of around 200 Mt. The foreclosure report for Jhanjra Project envisages a production of 1.03 Mty, and at this rate the project will have a life of more than 100 years. However, the project has a potential of higher capacity with the introduction of mass production technology like continuous miner and long wall.

(c): The proposal was discussed in the Joint Consultative Committee meeting and workers`s representatives were appraised in this regard.

(d): For introduction of continuous miner, a separate project report has been approved by Coal India Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) has initiated action for introduction of this technology. For implementation of longwall mining, ECL has already submitted a project report which is presently under process of Government approval.